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January 24, 2013

Senator Pat Steadman
Chair, Joint Budget Committee
200 East 14th Avenue, Third Floor
Denver, Colorado 80203

Dear Senator Steadman:

The SMART Government Act allows a committee of reference to make formal recommendations to the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) regarding state departments' budgets, based on the committee's hearings with their assigned departments. The Senate Judiciary Committee met on January 23, 2013, to discuss recommendations to the JBC per the SMART Government Act. At its meeting, the committee made the following recommendation regarding the Judicial Branch's budget.

The committee requests that the Joint Budget Committee approve the Office of the State Public Defender's \$5.8 million request for attorney pay parity (OSPD R-1 in the FY 2013-14 budget request).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lucia Guzman".

Senator Lucia Guzman, Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee

- c: Joint Budget Committee Members
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The Honorable Michael Bender, Chief Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court, Judicial Branch
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